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In re EDMONDS, I.
Reply to Office Action of November 2, 2007

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner is thanked for the Official Action dated November 2, 2007. This amendment and response to written restriction is intended to be fully responsive thereto.

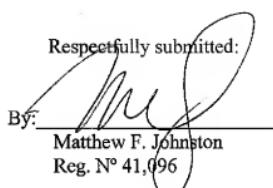
Claims 1-2 were objected to for minor informalities, specifically failing to contain proper antecedent basis for the recited “the folding of said segment”. Claims 1-3 have been amended in accordance with the Examiner’s comments and otherwise adhere to the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 112 and to contain proper antecedent basis. No new matter has been added. No new issues have been raised.

Claims 1-4 and 9-14 were rejected under the non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-14 of U.S. patent 7070314. Applicant respectfully disagrees. However, applicant has attached hereto a terminal disclaimer rendering this rejection moot.

It is submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance.

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Should the Examiner believe further discussion regarding the above claims would expedite prosecution, please contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

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